



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 6.6
Soil moisture supplies: 38% very short, 57% short and 5% adequate

Field Crops Report

Louisiana producers continued to battle drought conditions. Crops were in need of rain and were beginning to show signs of drought stress. Rice producers were still struggling with problems from salt water intrusion. Soybean producers were waiting for rain to complete their planting. Some corn producers were irrigating due to dry weather. Sugarcane producers were completing their lay-by operations and preparing fallow land. Wheat remained substantially ahead of average due to dry, warm weather.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Fruit and vegetable producers continued struggling with the dry conditions. Dry conditions were slowing the citrus development and causing the fruit to drop.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pastures were suffering from extreme lack of moisture. Due to the poor pasture conditions, cattlemen were feeding hay.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2010	5 YR AVG
Corn	Silked	32	8	44	38
Cotton	Planted	98	96	94	95
	Emerged	94	88	80	88
	Squaring	1	N/A	8	4
Hay	First cutting	78	65	76	64
Peaches	Harvested	7	1	0	0
Rice	Planted	100	99	100	99
	Emerged	99	98	99	98
Sorghum	Headed	3	N/A	0	0
Soybeans	Planted	90	87	82	85
	Emerged	87	79	70	75
	Blooming	5	N/A	0	0
Sweet Potatoes	Planted	25	18	23	22
Winter Wheat	Harvested	89	72	49	60

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Cotton	1	19	35	43	2
Corn	2	8	32	52	6
Sorghum	0	4	35	61	0
Soybeans	1	13	35	51	0
Rice	3	6	29	52	10
Sugarcane	7	16	40	29	8
Livestock	5	13	45	35	2
Vegetables	8	17	40	33	2
Pasture	17	25	41	17	0

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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 05/22/11 TO 05/29/11

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY	FOUR	YR. TO	NORM
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	TOTAL	WEEKS	DATE	
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	MM	MM	MM	75	0.00	2.28	13.86	22.80
Minden	90	59	77	74	0.00	1.91	15.56	25.11
Mooringsport	93	60	78	MM	0.00	4.64	18.04	19.94
Shreveport South	92	60	79	MM	0.00	2.23	14.99	MM.MM
Extreme/Average	93	59	78	75	0.00	2.77	15.61	23.29
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	MM	MM	MM	75	0.00	1.45	18.24	26.12
Homer/Hill Farm	90	(55)	75	73	0.45	2.44	17.28	25.04
Bienville 3 NE	MM	MM	MM	74	0.11	3.43	19.68	28.29
Farmerville	91	58	77	MM	2.17	3.83	16.13	MM.MM
Extreme/Average	91	55	76	75	0.68	M.MM	17.83	26.41
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	90	60	78	75	0.00	2.59	24.97	29.01
LSU-St Joseph	93	60	80	76	0.00	0.86	22.44	28.13
LSU-Winnsboro	MM	MM	MM	75	M.MM	1.32	23.25	27.36
Tallulah	90	MM	MM	75	0.00	1.00	24.64	28.45
Extreme/Average	93	60	79	76	0.00	M.MM	23.83	28.12
4. West-Central								
Leesville	(96)	56	81	75	0.00	0.76	12.73	25.24
Many 9 WSW	MM	MM	MM	MM	0.00	3.91	13.63	25.51
Ashland	91	55	78	74	0.42	4.21	16.43	25.36
Hodges Gardens	91	63	79	MM	0.57	3.17	14.28	24.97
Extreme/Average	96	55	79	75	0.25	M.MM	14.27	25.14
5. Central								
Alexandria	92	63	80	77	1.20	2.82	15.35	26.67
Jonesville Locks	92	62	79	76	0.18	1.63	16.67	27.44
Eunice	95	64	82	78	0.00	1.88	13.03	25.55
Bunkie	93	58	81	77	0.00	1.20	13.27	28.46
Extreme/Average	95	58	81	77	0.35	M.MM	14.49	26.94
6. East-Central								
Norwood	MM	MM	MM	MM	M.MM	1.30	2.03	19.14
BTR-Concord	MM	MM	MM	MM	0.05	0.38	17.80	28.00
LSU-Hammond	91	60	78	76	0.20	0.83	16.15	27.66
Slidell	89	64	80	77	1.53	1.54	11.63	27.59
Extreme/Average	91	60	79	76	0.77	M.MM	16.18	28.51
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	95	62	81	77	0.00	1.74	15.04	25.35
Jennings	95	65	82	77	0.00	1.24	14.01	23.63
LSU-Crowley	94	65	81	78	0.02	1.45	14.02	24.54
Oberlin Fire Tow	94	62	81	77	0.00	1.06	12.16	27.91
Extreme/Average	95	62	81	77	0.01	M.MM	13.80	23.89
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	91	65	80	77	0.02	0.19	11.94	24.96
LSU-Jeanerette	89	67	81	77	0.00	0.41	8.42	23.38
Morgan City	88	65	78	77	0.33	0.65	7.88	24.14
Lafayette	93	60	81	78	0.04	1.00	14.27	24.77
Extreme/Average	93	60	80	78	0.10	M.MM	10.63	24.23
9. Southeast								
Grand Isle	89	72	82	MM	0.00	0.20	7.92	22.49
Galliano	88	70	81	77	0.00	0.05	14.62	25.77
NO Audubon Park	MM	MM	MM	79	0.56	0.98	8.60	25.16
Gonzales	MM	MM	MM	MM	0.00	0.30	12.33	26.74
Extreme/Average	89	70	82	78	0.14	M.MM	10.87	25.71
State Averages	96	55	79	76	0.26		15.28	25.80

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through May 29, 2011

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